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Gift Shop Hours: Monday-Thursday: 8:30–noon and 1:00–4:30 Friday: 8:30–noon	Weddings, Baptisms, Hospital Visits, In-Home Mass, Holy Communion to Homebound: Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for these events.	Morning Coffee: Thursdays 9:00 a.m. at the Parish Office with the Pastor & friends	St. Fidelis Food Pantry: For residents of the tri-parishes. Call the Parish Office. Donations accepted.
St. Fidelis Thrift Shop: Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday 10:00–2:00; Wednesday 10:00–3:30; Thursday 10:00–4:00 If these hours do not work to drop off donations, contact Jan at the Parish Office.		BULLETIN ITEMS: Deadline is Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. Please contact Connie at the Parish Office (sfttech@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777)	
PLENARY INDULGENCE —The faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence—a remission before God of the temporal punishment for a previously forgiven sin—by visiting a minor basilica. To obtain a plenary indulgence during a pilgrimage to a basilica, one must participate in any sacred rite or recite the Lord’s Prayer or the profession of faith while there, then go to Confession and Communion, and pray for the intention of the pope. ~ taken from <i>The Register</i> , Salina Diocese newspaper			

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February 21, 2021 – First Sunday of Lent

Masses:

St. Fidelis, Victoria

Saturday — 5:00 pm
 Sunday — 10:00 am
 Monday — 7:00 pm
 Tuesday through Friday — 6:45 am

St. Ann, Walker

Saturday — 6:30 pm — November - April
 Sunday — 7:30 am — May - October

St. Boniface, Vincent

Sunday — 8:30 am — November - April
 Saturday — 6:30 pm — May - October

Eucharistic Adoration:

THURSDAYS • 9:30 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.
 in St. Fidelis Chapel behind the main altar
 Include prayers for vocations
 to religious life.

Confessions:

St. Fidelis: Mondays 7:30 p.m. and
 Saturdays 4:00 p.m.
St. Ann: Saturdays after Mass (Nov.-Apr.)
St. Boniface: Sundays 7:45-8:15 a.m.
 (Nov.-Apr.)
 or by appointment (contact Parish Office)

Tri-Parish Prayer Line

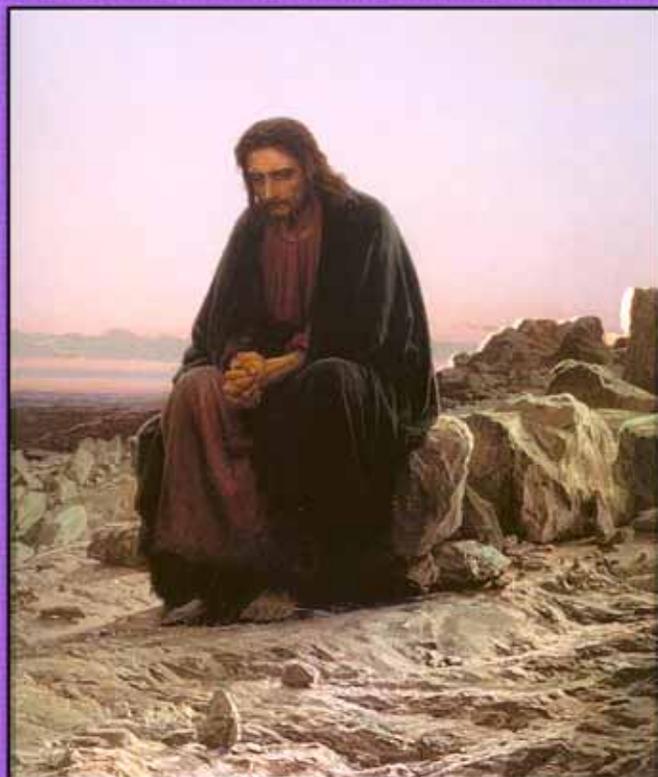
Anyone wishing to request prayers for
 family or friends may
 Teresa Shepherd (735-9576) to add their
 requests to the Prayer Line

Dates To Remember

Mar. 7 — Girl Scout Sunday
Mar. 14 — Daylight Savings Time
 begins—turn clocks ahead 1 hour
Mar. 13-14 — Anointing of the Sick
Mar. 15 — Lenten Communal Penance
 Service
Mar. 17 — St. Patrick’s Day
Mar. 28 — Passion (Palm) Sunday
Apr. 1 — April Fool’s Day
Apr. 1 — Holy Thursday—PARISH
 OFFICE CLOSED @ NOON

“The Spirit drove Jesus
 out into the desert, and he remained
 in the desert for forty days.”

Mark 1:12-15





The Devil Made Me Do I

The first Sunday of Lent is always the gospel account of Jesus tempted by the devil. Matthew and Luke give us the story of three temptations. But this year we read from the Gospel of Mark which does not record any particular temptations but says simply, "The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan." (Mk 1:12)

Temptations. We have all experienced them in the urge to do



what we know we should not do. This is often in small matters, as an extra dessert or a tidbit of gossip, but occasionally in serious issues, perhaps theft or lust. St. Paul writes of this disorder in our human nature, "I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate." (Rm 7:15) St. Augustine is usually credited with identifying this innate inclination to do wrong as original sin.

But where does this original sin come from? Why are we so afflicted? From the scriptural account of creation we learn that we inherit the consequences of the fall of Adam, which was a ploy of Satan. So the ultimate cause behind the inclination to do wrong is the work of the devil. Many today question the existence of the devil and his force for evil in the world. But not Pope Francis. He frequently speaks of the devil and his

clever tactics.

"The devil exists, and we must fight against him. We should not think of the devil as a myth, a symbol, or a figure of speech. This mistake would lead us to let down our guard, to grow careless and more vulnerable. The great gossip is the devil who goes around recounting bad things about others, because he is the liar who seeks to divide the church and destroy our community. The devil mixes his own voice with the many other voices



that try to dull our conscience. So never dialogue with the devil."

These cautions of Pope Francis do not suggest failure or doom. St. Paul wrote, "God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your strength; with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it." (1 Cor 10:13) The gospel for this first Sunday of Lent is about the devil tempting Christ and therefore us. But the enduring message is that goodness will triumph over evil.

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The greatest temptation is to do the right deed for the wrong reason.
~ T.S. Eliot

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Contributions February 13-14, 2020

ST. FIDELIS:

Envelopes 1942.00 Loose 410.00
Endowment 2.00

ST. ANN:

Envelopes 475.00 Loose 55.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Envelopes 190.00 Loose 0.00

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

Feb. 22 — Jerry Schmidtberger,
Andrea Schmidtberger

Mar. 1 — Patty Dreiling, Anne
Schmidtberger

Lenten Scripture Study

The Gospel of Mark

Year B

Tuesday Evenings, 7:00 p.m.

February 23, March 2, 9, 16

Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life

Fr. Earl Meyer OFM Cap

Masks and Social Distancing

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

5:30 p.m. | Fridays of Lent

The Basilica of St. Fidelis

NO STATIONS ON GOOD FRIDAY

The Stations will be posted to the St. Fidelis Catholic Church YouTube channel where you can also watch Sunday and Weekday Masses.



TITHING ENVELOPES

Please do not use your envelopes from previous years.

Throw them away.

Use your envelopes from 2021 only.

Many of the numbers have changed. They change from year to year if someone leaves the parish or if we add new members to the parish.

If you do not have envelopes for 2021 and would like some, let Jan at the parish office know. If you have envelopes, please use them.

Homebound Services

St. Fidelis offers homebound Eucharistic ministry to all three parishes every Wednesday morning and every Sunday after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. If you would like to receive communion in your home, contact Jan at the Parish Office. Fr. Jim will also come to your home and offer the anointing of the sick or confessions. Contact Jan at the Parish Office.

Rite of Election Today

During this Sunday's Mass at the Basilica of St. Fidelis, the candidates for initiation into the Church will celebrate the Rite of Election.

This Rite is usually celebrated with the Bishop; however, because of the Covid pandemic, Bishop Vincke has delegated this Rite to be celebrated locally in each parish. During the Rite the sponsors will present their candidates to the parish and the candidates will sign the Book of Elect.

Please continue to pray for our candidates, Arrica Braun and Kaylee McGann.

ST. BONIFACE

Parish Meeting

St. Boniface Parish will hold a parish meeting **TODAY—Sunday, February 21**, following Mass.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Free Online Membership Extended

Men can continue to join the Knights of Columbus Order online for free by using the promo code MCGIVNEY2020 at kofc.org/joinus through June 30.

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FEBRUARY HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT

February 8 is the feast day of ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA, patroness of kidnapped and trafficked children.

ONE CHILD TRAFFICKED IS ONE TOO MANY.

Pray for children today. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking** (www.sistersagainstrafficking.org) is a 501(c)3 organization. 2039 N. Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131.

Committee Meeting Dates

Finance Council
4th Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Liturgy Committee
2nd Thursday @ 5:30 pm

Pastoral Council
1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

PASTOR'S CORNER

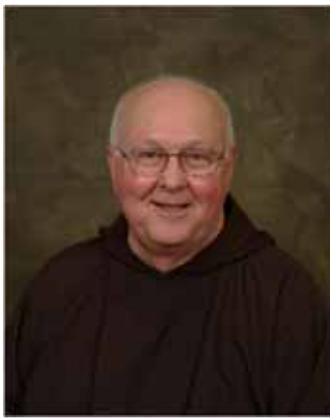
How is the painting project in church coming along?

According to Tim Linenberger, the contractor, we are on schedule to complete the project in the original three months timeframe. I was up to the top of the scaffolding last Friday (February 5). The ceiling is all repaired and painted as well as stenciling done. It looks beautiful. They are well into painting the next level down. In fact, most of all the walls are painted, with stencil work still to be done.

The Pastoral Council has also assessed the need to refinish the church pews and to do something with the floor covering. They are in the process of getting a committee together to consider options, and involving also professional advice. All decisions about what will be done will be made by the Pastoral and Finance Councils. Once this phase is completed, bids for the work will be solicited. The Councils will also select the contractors to do the actual work.

Beside these major projects, the Maintenance Committee has identified an extensive list of items that need attention on the church building and other parish and cemetery properties. Among these, several will require contracted expertise. Only half of the church air-conditioning system had been operating and is in need of repairs. Some of the church windows are in need of repair before there is serious damage. A good number of other needs will be attended to by our own maintenance people and volunteers to the extent that is possible.

We are trying to work together, to be good stewards, and be responsible in taking care of our parish heritage as well as enhance and extend our faith community. God bless you all!



Fr. Jim Moster, OFM Cap.

Meditation Booklet

The Family Life Commission is offering a Meditation Booklet for your Lenten prayers this year. The booklets will be located at the entrances to the tri-parish churches.

They are available one per adult and one per child.

Holy Hour for Vocations

Bishop Gerald Vincke has asked that each parish have a Holy Hour to pray for vocations to religious life. We will honor this request by asking you to participate in Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday mornings from 9:30 until 11:30 to pray for vocations.

Adoration is held in the Chapel behind the main altar in the Basilica of St. Fidelis.

St. Fidelis Ceiling and Painting Update

Since the letter went out, we have received \$7,815 towards the goal of \$145,000. With funds we received earlier for the project, we have a total of \$113,865 towards the cost of \$290,000. We have \$176,135 to go to reach our goal.

Please send or bring your donations to the Parish Office or place them in the collection basket in an envelope marked "**Ceiling and Painting Fund**".

We will also be doing some work to the pews and the floor when the ceiling and painting are finished. Any extra money received from the ceiling project will be used for those projects.

SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY MASS OBLIGATION

The dispensation given for all Catholics from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass will remain in effect until it is safe to lift it. The dispensation from Sunday Mass obligation continues because the Church does not want to place a moral burden on those who should not attend Sunday Mass because of age or health conditions.

However, Catholics are still obliged to keep the Commandments, including the Commandment to keep holy the Lord's Day. Families who choose not to attend Mass should conduct a Liturgy of the Word in the home. Individuals and families should spend additional time in prayer, pious devotions, and spiritual reading on Sunday. Younger adults who are least at risk from the virus should take advantage of the opportunity to participate in person at Mass and to receive Holy Communion if they are properly disposed. If those in good health are attending other large social gatherings, they should also be participating at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on Sundays.

For those attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days, we expect to continue social distancing and the wearing of masks in church.

Our pastor, Fr. Jim Moster, updates the Pastor's Corner page of our website www.StFidelisChurch.com.

Check out both the **Pastor's Corner** and the **News** pages for the latest information.

Meeting Set for March 1

The St. Fidelis Christian Mothers/Altar Society will meet in the sacristy on **Monday, March 1, following the 7:00 p.m. Mass.** Please join them for Mass and sit in the front pews.

Prospective members are always welcome. If interested in joining, or for more information, call Jane Wagner at 785-735-2587.

If you have not paid your dues of \$5.00, please pay by using the envelope in your tithing box or an envelope marked Christian Mothers and dropping it in the collection basket. Dues can also be mailed to the treasurer Teresa Shepherd, PO Box 324, Victoria, KS 67671.

COMMUNITY



Saturday, March 6, 2021

10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

First Step Housing Fundraiser

Sponsored by **FIRST CALL FOR HELP**
607 East 13th, Hays

Suggested Team Size: 4-6 people
1 car per Team | 1 Smart Phone needed

ENTRY FEE: \$20 - Adult; \$15 - Ages <12

Take part in First Call for Help's first photo shoot scavenger hunt! Receive the clues, find the locations, and snap a pic with your team. Send the photos back and earn points for correct answers. Highest score wins!

To register, call Laura S. @ 785-623-2800
Register before Tuesday, March 2,
and receive a Swag Bag! Grand Prize for winner!

Raise additional funds & Schmidt Foundation will double your donation earning you extra points!

Incllement Weather Alternate Date:
Saturday, March 13, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

[FACEBOOK.COM/FIRSTCALLELLISCOUNTY](https://www.facebook.com/firstcallelliscounty)

Teacher: Give me a sentence which includes the words "Defense", "Defeat", and "Detail".

Little Charlie: When a horse jumps over defense, defeat go first and then detail.

COMMUNITY



One Body Show

The One Body show, stewarding God's creation, features different local guests each week. Tune in to 105.7 FM, online at dvmercy.com, or on the free phone app at noon on Fridays and 9:00 AM on Saturdays. This show is locally produced and past episodes can be found on our website at dvmercy.com and on the phone app. Other show times are 11:00 PM on Saturdays, 1:00 AM on Wednesdays, and 10:00 PM on Wednesdays.

Victoria Schools Calendar 

****All events/activities are subject to change.****

Monday — February 22

Lunch Menu: chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, banana, dinner roll, salad, milk
Guided Personal Study (GPS) — Grade check/start activity
3:30 pm HS girls basketball practice
4:00-7:30 pm Parent Teacher Conferences
5:00 pm HS boys basketball practice

Tuesday — February 23

District ACT testing in JH/HS Library
Lunch Menu: Sub sandwich, Doritos, cole slaw, applesauce, salad, milk
Guided Personal Study (GPS) — Students will have directed study
3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice
4:00-7:30 pm Parent Teacher Conferences
5:00 pm HS girls basketball practice

Wednesday — February 24

Lunch Menu: Cavatini, green beans, garlic toast, green grapes, salad, milk
Guided Personal Study (GPS) — Students will have directed study
3:30 pm HS girls basketball practice
5:00 pm HS boys basketball practice

Thursday — February 25

Lunch Menu: Beef and vegetable soup, saltine crackers, fresh broccoli, pineapple, cinnamon bread, salad, milk
Guided Personal Study (GPS) — Students will have directed study
3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice
KSHSAA 1A Sub-state girls basketball @ TBA games/times

Friday — February 26 — No School

KSHSAA 1A Sub-state boys basketball @ TBA games/times

The St. Fidelis Eucharistic Minister, Lector, and Cantor Schedules can be found on the Mass Schedule page of StFidelisChurch.com

*** Sunday Rosary Schedule ***
 1st - Christian Mothers 2nd - Knights of Columbus
 3rd - Daughters of Isabella 4th - Family Life

MINISTER SCHEDULE
CANTORS

Saturday, Feb. 27, 5:00 PM — Trilogy
 Sunday, Feb. 28, 10:00 AM — Becky and Jim Scheck

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, Feb. 27, 5:00 PM — Karie Younger
 Sunday, Feb. 28, 10:00 AM — Connie Braun

LECTORS \ COMMENTATORS

Saturday, Feb. 27, 5:00 PM — Diane Gross
 Sunday, Feb. 28, 10:00 AM — Shanna Dinkel

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS

Wednesday, Feb. 24 — Carol Pfeifer
 Sunday, Feb. 28 — Yvonne Braun

Mass on St. Fidelis YouTube Channel

Go to www.StFidelisChurch.com

and click the link on the *Home Page* to view a Mass.

CURRENTLY, Sunday Mass is uploaded to YouTube along with some weekday Masses that are recorded when possible.

MASS INTENTIONS	
MONDAY	FEBRUARY 22
7:00 pm Jennifer Lehman and Edward Meder	
TUESDAY	FEBRUARY 23
6:45 am	
WEDNESDAY	FEBRUARY 24
6:45 am Louise Hammerschmidt	
THURSDAY	FEBRUARY 25
6:45 am Ventura Sander and Berens family Kathryn Herrman	
FRIDAY	FEBRUARY 26
6:45 am	
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 27
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Alois, Mae, and Sueellen Pfeifer	
6:30 pm St. Ann Harold and Norma Schmeidler family, Erik Nakvinda, and Nowak and Anderson families	
SUNDAY	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT FEBRUARY 28
8:30 am St. Boniface For the parishes	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Dr. Joseph Brungardt family	

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